

FACT SHEET

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Operation Crossroads International Overview

During the period June 4 -20, 2001, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), in cooperation with law enforcement agencies of 13 foreign governments in the Western Hemisphere, conducted the largest anti-smuggling operation of its kind. Information in this fact sheet summarizes key measures of the success of the operation.

Apprehensions

Migrants: 7,891

U.S. Citizens: 7

Total: 7,898

Smugglers/Document Vendors

Total: 75 alien smugglers/document vendors, including 7 U.S. citizens, identified or arrested.

Detained for Prosecution: 52

Narcotics Seizures

Costa Rica, Panama, Mexico, Peru, Guatemala and El Salvador: 13 incidents.

Total: Cocaine, 277 lbs.; marijuana, 157 lbs.; heroin, 12 lbs. plus additional 72 vials.

Training

Ecuador, Colombia, Peru, El Salvador: Number of local law enforcement and airline carrier staff trained in fraudulent document detection: 560

Passenger Screenings

Ecuador, Colombia, Haiti and Panama: 1,182 aircraft and vehicles and 18,879 passengers.

Mexico: 62 buses and 1,600 passengers.

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Nationality	Total
Honduras	2,531
El Salvador	2,183
Guatemala	1,962
Nicaragua	378
Ecuador	234
Peru	120
Dominican Republic	112
Mexico	62
Jamaica	55
Colombia	53
Haiti	45
India	34
Costa Rica	22
China	22
Cuba	14
Guyana	9
Panama	8
Albania	7
Sudan	6
Bulgaria	5
Fiji	4
Israel	3
Nigeria	3
Barbados	2
Canada	2
United Kingdom	2
New Zealand	1
Bahamas	1
Chile	1
Egypt	1
Germany	1
Greece	1
Grenada	1
Iran	1
Korea	1
Lebanon	1
Pakistan	1
South Africa	1
Spain	1
Venezuela	1
TOTAL	7,891

Location of Operation	Arrests
Mexico	5,626
Guatemala	809
El Salvador	573
Costa Rica	126
Honduras	392
Jamaica	90
Panama	72
Dominican Republic	90
Ecuador	37
Haiti	36
Peru	28
Columbia	12
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Document Type	Number
Photo-substituted/Fraudulent Passport	276
Imposter to Valid Passport	32
Photo-substituted/Fraudulent Visa	90
Imposter to Visa	4
Photo-substituted/Fraudulent I-551	6
Imposter to I-551s	22
Counterfeit U.S. Birth Certificate	4
Imposter to U.S. Birth Certificate	14
False Claim to U.S. Citizenship	3
Other (counterfeit/fraudulent document)	195
TOTAL	646